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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY,
the 15th June, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, -
A LARGE QUANTITY OF
CHINESE PORCELAIN
AND CURIOS.
JUST ARRIVED FROM SHANGHAI.
Consisting of -
Chinese Porcelain of every description, Brasses, Bronzes, &c., &c., of the Ming, Kanghi, Yangching, Kienlung and Tzongkong Dynasties.
Also
A number of valuable Chinese Paintings and Engravings, Embroideries, Jadestone Ornaments, Old Chinese Lacquered Ware, Amber Beads, Ivory &c., &c., &c.
(Full Particulars and Condition of Sale from Catalogue.)
On view Friday 12th inst.
The Undersigned have been authorized to refund purchase money if not found as specified within one week.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, June 8, 1914.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
WEDNESDAY,
the 17th June, 1914, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, -
A QUANTITY OF
VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND
BLACKWOOD FURNITURE,
&c., &c., &c.
As follows:-
TEAKWOOD - One Drawing Room Suite, Dining Room Suite, Upholstered Arm-chairs and Sofas, Indian Carpets and Rugs, Brasses and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Bureau, Wardrobe, Washstands, &c., &c., &c., Dinner Waggon, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, etc., etc., Dinner and Dessert Services, Crockery, Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Kitchen Utensils, Cutlery, &c., &c., &c.
Also
One Blackwood Overmantel, 1 Old Chinese Blackwood Cabinet and 1 Desk, Old Brasses Figures, Electric Reading Lamp, etc., 1 Marble clock, 2 Pianos, Chubb's Safe, Ice Chest, 1 Typewriter, Barograph, etc., and several Boxes New Lace.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue.)
Terms - as usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, June 9, 1914.

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Every kind of Footwear.



CHERRY & CO.,
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Hongkong, March 20, 1914.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction, to be held on **MONDAY,** the 15th day of June, 1914, at 3 P.M., at the office of the Public Works Department, by order of His Majesty the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

Locality	Boundary Measurements (Approximate)	Area in Acres	Estimated Value
Lot 1	No. 8, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 2	No. 9, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 3	No. 10, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 4	No. 11, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 5	No. 12, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 6	No. 13, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 7	No. 14, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 8	No. 15, E. W.	1.5	2,500
Lot 9	No. 16, E. W.	1.5	2,500
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Lot 24	No. 31, E. W.	1.5	2,500
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Hongkong, July 22, 1913.

THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

9 p.m.—First Night Aquatic Fete of the Season at V.R.C.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

MEMO. FOR MONDAY.

Accession of Emperor William II of Germany, (1888).
2.30 p.m.—Accession of Chinese Porcelain and Carols at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at P.W.D.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, June 16.—King Gustav of Sweden born (1859).
WEDNESDAY, June 17.—Banker Hill Day (Mass. U.S.A.).
2.50 p.m.—Accession of Fainture etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.
THURSDAY, June 18.—(14) Wellington Dinner.
FRIDAY, June 19.—Accession of King George V (1911).
TUESDAY, June 23.—Price of Water birthday (1864).
11 a.m.—Hongkong Ice Co's Extraordinary Meeting.
WEDNESDAY, June 24.—(14) Wellington Dinner.
THURSDAY, June 25.—(14) Wellington Dinner.
FRIDAY, June 26.—(14) Wellington Dinner.
SATURDAY, June 27.—(14) Wellington Dinner.
SUNDAY, June 28.—(14) Wellington Dinner.

PROMISSORY NOTE

LAW.

An Interesting Judgment.

Mr. Justice Hargrave, Paines Judge, delivered an interesting judgment in a case relating to the law affecting promissory notes of exchange and promissory notes.

The action was one brought in the Summary Court on May 8 by the Holland and China Trading Co., 13a, Des Voeux Road Central, against Chin Tin Cho, a broker carrying on business at 202, Queen's Road Central, to recover \$973.55 from defendant as endorser of a promissory note for \$201 sterling dated November 18, 1913, to be repaid at the agreed rate of exchange of 1/11 1/16d. Plaintiff also claimed costs of the action.

Mr. Justice Hargrave's judgment was as follows: The plaintiff claims from the defendant the sum of \$973.55 as endorser of a promissory note for the sum of \$201 sterling dated 18th November, 1913, and payable on the 11th January, 1914, and signed by the defendant, at the agreed rate of exchange 1/11 1/16d which has been dishonoured by the drawer. I wish first to deal with the question of fact. There was a conflict of evidence as to why the defendant signed the note. The evidence of Tang Lai Chuan, complainant to the plaintiff firm, was as follows: Defendant signed exhibit 1 (the promissory note) in my presence, as I did not care to trust the Li Hing. The defendant said he was a partner and in the habit of signing in the amounts of cheques and presenting them to Mr. Lee for signature. On November 27 a cheque purported to have been signed by Mr. Lee, as secretary of the China Association for \$200 payable to bearer, was presented for payment and paid by the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. The cheque was shown to Mr. Lee yesterday afternoon but he declared that the signature was not his. It was a forgery. On December 31st the Bank sent the China Association its pass-book, with the usual certificate stating the amount to the credit of the account. Mr. Lee turned the pass-book over to Ribeiro, who reported the balance to be correct. The second cheque was cashed on February 2, on which day Ribeiro asked for a half day's leave of absence and has not been seen since. The counterfoils had been torn out of the cheque book and the second cheque was drawn out of numerical order.

Mr. G. B. Dunnett of the current account department of the bank said the cheques were presented and paid on the dates mentioned, but the Bank is not satisfied that they are forgeries.

Regarding the second application, the evidence showed that an application for a new cheque book for Ip Shim Kam of Boiss and Co. purporting to have been signed by Mr. Ip's assistant, Wu Yu Wan, was received at the Bank on or about January 18. The application was regular in every way, but as it was received late in the day the matter was laid over until the following morning, when Mr. Dunnett was called up on the telephone and asked whether it was ready. He replied that he would send it; but the speaker, who said he was Wu Yu Wan, said he would send a cheque. As a precautionary measure Mr. Dunnett said the cheque should be given a chit asking for the cheque book. In the meantime, Ribeiro proceeded to the Nomura Hotel on Connaught Road Central and engaged a room, registering under the name of B. Roberts, aged 23, of Shanghai. He had no luggage but carried a chit book upon which appeared the name Ip Shim Kam in both English and Chinese. Ribeiro asked Shintaro Fujimoto to send the chit-book to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, but Shintaro, evidently anxious to oblige, took the duty upon himself. He delivered the chit-book, and shortly after accompanied by a bank official he was taken to the office of Boiss and Co., where the chit was examined by Ip Shim Kam. Wu Yu Wan was called and questioned, and denied any knowledge of the signature. The party then proceeded to the Nomura Hotel to await the return of Roberts but he never went back.

Mr. Lee identified the paper upon which the date were written as having been supplied to the Insurance Department of Jardine, Matheson and Co., by the Adiance Assurance Co. Mr. Dunnett identified the chit. Mr. Yu Wan declared the signatures to be forgeries.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An interesting article entitled "Tetrach Memories," by "Hotspur," is reproduced on Page 5.

At the Sanitary Board meeting on Tuesday a letter is to be read from Government relative to debris on the beaches of the Colony surrounding the area of Cowe Chow.

The four men and one woman detained in connection with the piracy of the s.s. Tai On off Ki An was to-day formally remanded until Monday afternoon when the case against the prisoners will be opened.

A private of the D.C.L.I., was charged with assaulting a Japanese woman the wife of the licensee of the Tokyo Hotel, Pottinger Street. After evidence had been heard accused was dismissed with a caution.

We have been asked to remind our readers of the Aquatic Fete at the V.R.C. this evening, commencing at 9 o'clock. A good programme will be carried through and, with a regimental band in attendance, a very enjoyable evening should be spent.

A special Army order, dated May 20, announces that the transfer of the 2nd Battalion Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry to North China, and the 2nd Bedfordshire Regt from South Africa to Hongkong are deleted from the 1914-15 relief programme.

The torpedo-destroyer of the U.S. Asiatic Squadron leaves Manila on Sunday for a cruise in Chinese waters and will be absent about five months. The destroyer, which the U.S.S. Poncey is the flagship, is at present lying off Cavite, where it has been stationed for some time past.

The President of the Kwongloong Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Mr. J. M. Ayles, has kindly consented to lend his grounds for a cinematograph entertainment which the committee has arranged for 9 o'clock Monday evening. The Mayor, Mr. Macdonald, has been invited to preside at the entertainment which will be held at the P.W.D. grounds.

The P.W.D. has been asked to provide a large number of seats for the entertainment which will be held at the P.W.D. grounds.

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ALLEGED BANKING

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EXTRADITION APPLICATION AGAINST PORTUGUESE.

China Association's Charges Forged.

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The matters in which Ribeiro is concerned are four cases of two cheques, each for \$200, purported to have been signed by Mr. L. N. Lee, a secretary of the China Association, a letter asking for a new cheque book for Mr. Ip Shim Kam, and a purported to have been signed by Wu Yu Wan, assistant comptroller, and a cheque purported to have been signed by the last-named asking for delivery of the cheque book.

Mr. Lewis stated that Ribeiro is known under a multitude of aliases, amongst them being R. Roberts, Richardson and Maurice Riley.

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H. H. THE GOVERNOR

HONOURED.

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COMPANY REPORTS.

Hongkong Tramway Company Limited.

The report of the Directors of this Company, to be presented to the forthcoming meeting of Shareholders, is as follows:—

The Directors submit herewith the audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1913. After charging £110,535, 6s. 7d. for year in respect of Depreciation of track, Rolling Stock, Cables, Power Plant, &c., the balance of profit brought down to 1st January, 1914, was £218,845, 8s. 3d. From this must be deducted the balance of profit brought down from the previous year, £339,118, 9s. 3d. Leaving a net profit for the year of £10,508 16s. 7d. To which should be added the amount brought forward from the last balance sheet after allowing for the first dividend of £24,062, 10s. for 1913, £7,127 1s. 8d. Making an available balance of £17,635 18s. 3d. Of this, the interim dividend for the six months ended 31st June, 1914, at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, paid on the 29th October, 1913, free of Income Tax, absorbed £2,031 5s. 0d. The Directors now recommend the payment of a final dividend for the six months ended 31st December, 1913, at the rate of 50 per cent. per annum, free of Income Tax, making 12½ per cent. for the year; this will require £10,156 5s. 0d. Leaving to be carried forward £7,479 13s. 3d.

It is difficult to make accurate comparisons between the years 1912 and 1913, owing to the dislocation caused by the boycott during the end of the former year, and the beginning of the latter year, but the position in Hongkong in this connection becomes normal some time since, and the traffic receipts for many months past have been very satisfactory.

The Board are pleased to be able to report that the Hongkong Government contributed \$15,248, further as compensation towards the Company's losses during the boycott, making a total contribution of \$45,948.

Unfortunately, however, there is still a considerable loss incurred on the Hongkong (British) subsidiary company, and it is difficult to forecast any amelioration in this respect in the near future.

The Hongkong Government recently passed an Ordinance prohibiting the importation of foreign silver and nickel coinage. It came into operation on the 1st March, 1914, and the Directors hope that this will eventually have the effect of reducing the discount on the British subsidiary company, although they fear that the discount will be also.

During the year the track from Praya East to the Racecourse has been extended to the Happy Valley and was opened for traffic in February, 1914. The length of the extension is about 600 yards.

At the request of the Shareholders' Association of Hongkong arrangements are being made for the establishment of a Colonial Register in Hongkong under the control of a Local Committee in order to meet the convenience of Shareholders resident in the Colony of Hongkong.

The Directors again desire to place on record their appreciation of the services rendered by the Manager, the Agents, and the Staff.

Mr. E. C. Morgan is the Director retiring by rotation, and being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

The Auditors, Messrs. Cooper Brothers and Co., retire and offer themselves for re-election.

On behalf of the Board,
E. C. MORGAN,
Chairman.

19, St. Stephen's Lane,
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Note.—If the above mentioned dividend is approved by the Shareholders, the Dividend Warrants will be posted on the 28th May, and all Members on the register on the 28th May, 1914.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The name of the Chinese Li Manchuan Derel प्राप्त Company, Ltd. has been struck off the Companies' register.

The mean temperature during May was 78.5 Fahr. The hottest day was the 21st, when the thermometer reached 90.8; the minimum reading on the same day was 78.8. Sunshine aggregating 191.5 hours was recorded; and 12,620 inches of rain fell.

Messrs. Lloyd, Matheson, and Gurney, in their Weekly Times Report, dated May 21st state—China.—The market is opened for new rice, Peking Congee, and it is satisfactory to learn that its quality is reported good. In Hankow tea the market is doing at rather higher rates than last year. The market for this week is very quiet and important trading has few dealings. Returns are, however, satisfactory.

It is stated in the Commercial Gazette that the Government of the Straits Settlements has decided to purchase a large quantity of rice for the use of the Government. The purchase is to be made at a price of 100 cents per catty, and the rice is to be delivered to the Government by the end of the month of June.

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GYMKEANA CLUB.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

FRENCH POLITICS.

FALL OF M. RIBOT'S ADMINISTRATION.

LONDON, June 13.
A telegram from Paris states that in the French Chamber the Government was defeated by 306 votes to 263 on the first vote—a vote of confidence.
M. Ribot, the Premier, previously made the Ministerial declaration, which was frequently interrupted by Socialists shouting "Down with the Triennium Bill."
Another telegram from Paris states that the Government have resigned.

A £36,000,000 Loan.

The Government have decided to propose a loan for £36,000,000 redeemable in twenty-two years.

The Purpose of the Loan.

The French Loan, which will be issued at 3 per cent., is intended to meet the expenditure in the War and Navy Departments and the extraordinary outlay incurred by the occupation of Morocco.

LATER.

Attitude of the Chamber.

A telegram from Paris states that the resolution upon which the Government was defeated stated that the Chamber were respecting the wishes of the electors only, but would give their confidence to the Government if they were capable of realising a combination of forces composed of the Left.

M. Ribot, in a speech, had previously declared it to be his intention of governing with a majority of the Left.

Serious Crisis Threatened.

LONDON, June 13.
The crisis is considered to be the most serious in France's history since the Third Republic, marking as it does open conflict between President Poincaré and the majority of the Republican and Socialist Deputies, and increasing the divergence between the Senate and the Chamber. The latter, in overthrowing the "Cabinet of all the Talents," voiced the opinion that progress does not depend upon men, but upon organized parties. The action of the Radical-Socialists yesterday was prompted by a desire to force President Poincaré either to resign or to accept a Ministry opposed to the three years' period of military service and proportional representation, and favouring an inquisitorial income tax. The President's alternative to summing such a Ministry is dissolution, but this would involve a financial crisis, as the Budget which should have been passed in December is still unvoted. The votes account expire on June 30, and unless a loan of 80 millions sterling is raised by then bankruptcy is imminent. The triumphant Radical-Socialists warned out of the Chamber yesterday shouting "To Versailles," which is equivalent to "Down with President Poincaré."

THE AMERICA CUP DEFENDER.

LONDON, June 13.
A telegram from New York states that the Resolute has won the third test race for the honour of being the America Cup defender.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS.

REPEAL BILL PASSED.

LONDON, June 13.
A telegram from Washington states that the House of Representatives, by 216 to 71 votes, have passed the Panama Canal Tolls Bill, with the Amendment by the Senate which declares that the Repeal of the Tolls Clause may not be construed as waiving the rights of the United States regarding exemption.
The Bill was thereupon sent to President Wilson for his signature.

Another telegram from Washington states that the repeal was carried only after a spirited debate, almost resulting in a stand-up fight between two senators.

The passing of the Bill is regarded as a great victory for President Wilson.

DOUBT COMPLAINED OF IN AMERICA.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

HOME RACING.

BETTING ON THE HUNT CUP.

LONDON, June 13.
The betting on the race for the Royal Hunt Cup (a handicap, run at Ascot on June 17, 7 fms. 166 yds.) is as follows:—
10 to 1 Bluestone.
100 to 7 Drinmore and Braxted.
18 to 1 Santair.
20 to 1 Honeywood and Aiglon.
25 to 1 Lie a Bed, Ambassador and Agadoo.
100 to 3 Jarnao II.

HOME CRICKET.

LONDON, June 13.
Hampshire beat Somerset at Bath by an innings and 192 runs.
Kent beat Worcestershire at Worcester by an innings and 230 runs.

THE MEXICAN CRISIS.

REBELS TO BE REPRESENTED.

LONDON, June 13.
Yielding presumably to unofficial urgency on Mr. Bryan's part, General Carranza has now informed the Mediators that he will appoint a representative to the Niagara Conference.

LATER.

Mediation Progressing Favourably.

A telegram from Washington states that President Wilson considers that the progress of the mediators at Niagara Falls is most encouraging, and expects a favourable outcome in a few days.

Cargo for the Rebels.

A telegram from Tampico states that the "Antilla" discharged her cargo, which was immediately entrained for the rebels.

It is announced at Washington that no vessel with munitions will be given a clearance for a Mexican port, in future the "Antilla" got away through a misunderstanding in the Government Departments.

SPLIT AMONG THE NATIONALISTS.

LONDON, June 13.
A serious split has occurred in the Nationalist Volunteer movement. The provisional committee governing the corps has refused Mr. Redmond's co-operation, and has decided to organise a force on its own lines.
Mr. Redmond denounces the committee as being a self-constituted body and says the majority of its members do not support the Irish Party, which 95 per cent. of the Volunteers support. He dwells upon the grave responsibility which rests upon such a military organisation, and affirms that unless the Committee reconsiders its decision he will appeal to the Volunteers to organise independently until a convention has been called to elect a permanent governing body.

THE KAISER.

LONDON, June 13.
The meeting of the Kaiser and Archduke Ferdinand at Konopischt was most cordial and crowds gave the Kaiser an ovation.

SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS.

The Cabinet's Difficulties.

LONDON, June 13.
A telegram from Cape Town states that the "Cape Times" and the "South African News" argue strongly against the Government resigning. Nevertheless, the Cabinet are taking the gravest view of their position owing to the recent diminishing majority and the difficulties they have had with some of their followers regarding taxation which the Cabinet considers as being essential.

Government Continues in Office.

Another telegram from Cape Town states that the Government continues in office. They admit the gravity of the situation, but believe that it would be detrimental to the country if much useful labour of the Session were abandoned.

ECONOMY IN THE ARMY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE MILITANTS.

LONDON, June 13.
The militant suffragettes yesterday evening raided the theatres in the West End and made a futile attempt to speak. They were roughly handled.

Scotland Yard states that the bomb which exploded in Westminster Abbey was made of two domes and had an exceptionally large double bicycle bell tied with wire. It was suspended from a pinnacle at the back of a chair and contained chlorate explosive and iron nuts.

GREECE AND TURKEY.

ANOTHER WAR PENDING.

LONDON, June 13.
A telegram from Athens states that the Government, after consulting with the financiers, ordered the closing of the Bourse owing to the uncertainty of the situation.

Preventing Financial Panic.

A telegram from Alexandria states that all the Greek sailors of the 1908 class have been ordered to join the colours.

A telegram from Athens states that the Government has addressed a strong note to Constantinople demanding the cessation of the persecution of the Greeks in Turkey and the repair of damage.

Public opinion is most excited, and urges immediate and energetic action.

Grave Statement by the Premier.

A telegram from Athens states that the public excitement is increasing.

Mr. Venizelos, the Premier, speaking in the Chamber, described the arrival of thousands upon thousands of hapless, pitiable Greeks who had been ejected from Turkish territory. He declared the situation to be grave and even of the gravest nature. Unless the conditions were altered Greece would not, he added, be content with mere lamentations. (Prolonged cheers.)

LATER.

Influx of Refugees.

Six steamers chartered by the Government are continually transporting refugees to the Aegean Islands.

"Unparalleled" Persecutions.

Premier Venizelos, speaking in the Chamber, said that the Turkish persecutions were unparalleled in history and that they aimed at the extermination of populations that had inhabited the country for several thousand years. Besides 1,000,000 Greeks from Thrace, over 20,000 from Asia Minor had arrived in Greece and 50,000 more were awaiting a chance of departing.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily acquiesce in opinions expressed by correspondents.—Ed.]

THE MORPHINE CASE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL").
Sir,—Referring to your report of the proceedings in the Morphine case, now engaging the attention of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, I wish to bring to the notice of the public that the Mr. Cruz therein referred to is not Mr. H. Cruz of the firm of H. Cruz and Co., who is now in London on business.—Yours faithfully,
CHAS. WOOD MAX,
Attorney for Mr. H. Cruz.

HONGKONG'S RAINFALL.

The following table gives the monthly rainfall at the Observatory to the end of May with the means and extremes for 30 years:—

	1914.	1884.	1912.	Mean.	Max.	Min.
January	0.00	1.44	2.45	10.90		
February	3.24	1.00	7.20	6.20		
March	1.19	2.09	11.45	9.72		
April	4.45	5.61	14.90	11.20		
May	12.62	11.71	45.34	14.45		

The year's rainfall to the end of the month amounts to 31.57 inches, which is 1.57 inches below the 30-year mean for the same period.

THE CHILDIR PIRACY.

CAPT. NIELSEN REVEALS HIS ADVENTURES.

Capt. Harold Nielsen, master of the S.S. Childar, which was pirated off Mendocino Island, was the principal witness at the Magistrate's court this morning in the extradition proceedings against six Chinese in custody in connection with the piracy.

The Captain said that when on the voyage from Hongkong to Swire, on March 15, he was steering a newspaper in his room when he heard a noise. He rushed out on deck but 10 or 15 men were there armed with revolvers. He could not get on deck and his room was also not. The pirates were shouting and yelling and he could not understand what they said. They searched his room and dragged him to the Chief Engineer's room. The door was locked and then they dragged him down to the after deck. He saw the Chief Officer there. The second officer was lying down in the same place, his face covered with blood. There was a crowd of pirates hovering around him, shouting and pointing to Mr. Wood, witness said, it was dark.

The pirates then went through the skipper's clothes and snatched off his tie. They attempted to get the ring off his right hand but it would not come off.

Then a man came with a knife and as far as Nielsen could see, on the ship. Another pirate, who looked like the leader, examined the ring, found it was not very valuable, and sent the pirates away.

Witness was forced to open the door of the wheelhouse at the point of the revolver. He could understand them to say, "Cash box, cash box." He warned the chief officer not to go against the pirates or they would all be shot.

Mr. Wood: Did they fire any shots?
Witness: They discharged two or three shots in the officers' mess room.

The Captain said there must have been nearly 100 pirates on board. He was bound hand and foot when he had opened the wheelhouse door and he saw the Chief Engineer and the Chief Officer also bound.

They lay there for hours—until midnight when the pirates left the ship. Maiming the engines were kept running and he was afraid the ship would sink and they would be drowned. The thoughts and ropes were tied so tightly that they cut into the flesh and gave racking pains to the body.

"How were you released?" inquired the Magistrate.

Capt. Nielsen said two Chinese cut the bonds. When they came out on deck the anchor was down. He went around and found the place absolutely trampled. A British mail bag from Hongkong to Bangkok was empty. Everything was broken and smashed up. It was too dark and he was not able to go on deck to find out where the ship was. He asked the found the ship was in Bias Bay, two miles from Triple Island. After the ship had passed Bias Bay, the pirates turned the ship round and headed for the land.

Mr. Wood then committed the prisoners to jail for extradition to Canton. They would remain in prison until H.E. the Governor ordered them to be sent away. They would not be sent to Canton for 15 days and if they thought they were being unlawfully detained they would have to apply to the Supreme Court for a writ of habeas corpus.

DYNAMITE IN A RICKSHAW.

A sub-contractor named Ng Wah, employed at the Sze Kien Quarries, was charged this morning before Mr. Wood with being in unlawful possession of 13 lbs. of dynamite. Defendant, said Inspector Gerrard, got an order from the principal contractor, who held the permit, to obtain a daily supply of dynamite, averaging 5 lbs. per day. He was supposed to have used up the previous dynamite and yesterday obtained two orders to supply 5 lbs. and 3 lbs. Defendant stated the dynamite was obtained at Tai Kok Shui, where he had already accumulated 13 lbs. A wooden box marked "Dangerous, Dynamite" was empty and the explosive was in a grass basket. The defendant was arrested in a rickshaw on his way to Taumata station and the officer strongly suspected that he was about to sell the stuff to a person with whom he had made a previous arrangement. Inspector Gerrard further said that the Government's stores at Hung Hom were broken into on Tuesday, and 15 lbs. of dynamite stolen. There was a heavy price for the explosive just now. Defendant was fined \$25 for conveying the dynamite and was remanded to jail for 14 days for his imprisonment. The charge of being in unlawful possession was adjourned until Tuesday, for the attendance of the contractor.

INQUIRY INTO A COOLIE'S DEATH.

Mr. Wood this morning conducted an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of a coolie who was found dead at Kennedy Station, Kennedy Bay, on June 4th.

Dr. McKenny, of the Public Mortuary, submitted evidence to a coroner's inquest which may be more or less complete, but which may be more or less complete, but which may be more or less complete.

Mr. Wood said that the deceased was a Chinese coolie who was employed by the Public Mortuary. He was found dead at Kennedy Station, Kennedy Bay, on June 4th. The deceased was a Chinese coolie who was employed by the Public Mortuary. He was found dead at Kennedy Station, Kennedy Bay, on June 4th.

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SCOTTISH HOME RULE.

(From Our Scottish Correspondent.)

The Scottish Home Rule Bill was wrecked by a side wind. Last night a massive tidal wave in every respect except for a clause entrenching certain classes of women had a second reading in the House of Commons by a majority of 10. On the evening session the Bill was talked out owing to the refusal of the House. It is understood that the Speaker declined the motion on the ground that the measure not only included a new franchise provision, but that at the present moment the supporters of the Bill. Some want the length of indicating that in the circumstances they would vote against the second reading; others announced their intention of abstaining, and the House had gone to a division to see if any positively how it would have gone. If there had not been a sufficient number of supporters of the Bill for women, would have endangered its making the omission the central matter of the debate. On the other hand, the inclusion of the clause divided the ranks of the Scottish Home Rule, and even caused the second of the second reading to go the length of indicating that he did not want the Bill if women suffrage remained part of the "Dundee" advertisement, however, thinks that the proceedings in the House are significant. When the Speaker, it says, grants the closure upon a private member's Bill of a large kind at the end of an afternoon's discussion, it means that he looks upon the speaker as a matter still struggling to make its footing in the world of actual affairs. When he refuses to grant the closure it means that, in his opinion, the project has come well into the world of actual affairs, and that it should be discussed on a scale proportioned to its magnitude. With its superficial appearance of frustration, therefore, the episode marks an important phase in the movement of Scottish Home Rule, and a phase which the Speaker, with his sense of actuality in Parliament, rightly recognises. The events of the past few months have brought the movement forward with long strides. It is not merely that Irish Home Rule in some shape or form is about to come the law of the land, that itself would carry forward the Scottish case. But the circumstances of the Irish case have, to many minds on both sides of politics, made progress towards a federal solution of the whole constitutional problem imperative and unavoidable. In federalism none can they see a clear way out of such difficulties as those offered by Ulster; and, if federalism it is to be, obviously, the sooner the subsequent steps the primary step the better for all concerned.

The "Edinburgh Evening News," also a Liberal organ, says it will be time enough to charge Scotland with the spirit of parochialism, when Scotland's desire to cut the Imperial knot is being met by a Scottish Home Rule does not desire to do that. Scotland has been too useful to the Empire and Empire to Scotland for any sensible man to dream of that proceeding. All that clear-minded Scots desire is that purely national affairs shall be handled by a subordinate Legislature, working in Edinburgh, and not dominated by the votes of Englishmen, Irishmen, and Welshmen, to whom Scotland is practically a "foreign" country.

The Scottish Unionist press, of course, take a strong stand against the Bill. The "Stobman" says that none of the pleas offered by its friends is that there is no "separation" in the demand for Scottish Home Rule. In the case of a perfect race like the Scots, and in the matter of the management of their own affairs, this is almost as much as to say that it creates no real public interest—that, at least in its present shape and under its present auspices, it responds to a genuine national want, and has the support of no considerable and convinced body of Scottish opinion. It is only the people and artificial call of a narrow provincialism, arising under the prompting of party politics.

Mr. Macpherson, who secured the second reading, stated with enormous humour that for Scottish Home Rule there was "a clear demand, not the less ancient and sincere if it was quietly expressed." He represented himself a spokesman for "the silent, thinking men of the country." We do not pretend to know precisely the mental habits of the men of Ross and Cromarty whom Mr. Macpherson has the honour to represent in the "Glasgow Herald," but in our experience of politics further south Home Rule question is due not to the fact that the electors are thinking hard about it, but rather that they decline to think about it at all, preferring to devote their attention to practical affairs.

MAIL APPROACH.

Select Committee's Approval.

A Select Committee of the House of Commons, presided over by Mr. Wedgwood Benn, recently gave their decision in regard to the Mail Approach Improvement Bill, promoted by the Office of Works in conjunction with the London County Council and the Westminster City Council.

For the purpose of completing the scheme for widening the approach to the Mail, the bill proposes that the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company, whose offices are now situated at the corner of the Chancery Lane, be given the corner site site; the widening has been carried out. (Application was offered to the bill by the London Insurance Company, whose premises adjoin those of the Liverpool and London and Globe. They objected to their offices being removed under the provisions of an equivalent site a few yards further down the Chancery Lane. The bill was accordingly amended to give the corner site to the London Insurance Company, whose premises adjoin those of the Liverpool and London and Globe. They objected to their offices being removed under the provisions of an equivalent site a few yards further down the Chancery Lane. 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SHANGHAI	HIMALAYA	10 a.m. 17th June	Freight and Passengers
LONDON, via Suez, Port Said, Pango, Cebu, Manila, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama	DELTA	Noon 17th June	See Special of Call
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EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Wednesday, July 1.
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From Hongkong.	From Colombo.
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JAPAN	June 17.	"UMKUZU"	2 July.
MANANG	June 23.	A Steamer	end of July.

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